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Applicants:	Alfred E. Mann et al.)	
Serial No.:	10/062,838)	Group Art Unit: 1641
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Title:	EXTERNAL INFUSION DEVICE)	
	WITH REMOTE PROGRAMMING,)	Examiner: Ann Y. Lam
	BOLUS ESTIMATOR AND/OR)	
	VIBRATION ALARM CAPABILITIES)	

TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBVIATE A DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.321(c)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The undersigned is a representative authorized to sign on behalf of the disclaimant, MEDTRONIC MINIMED, INC., having its principal place of business at 18000 Devonshire Street, Northridge, California 91325.

MEDTRONIC MINIMED, INC. is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified application and invention covered thereby as established by the assignment recorded at Reel 010929 and Frame 0976, and the Change of Name recorded at Reel 012463 and Frame 0589. The assignment and name change documents have been reviewed and MEDTRONIC MINIMED, INC. certifies that to the best of its knowledge and belief, title is in MEDTRONIC MINIMED, INC. (37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b).)

MEDTRONIC MINIMED, INC. hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of any patent granted on the above-identified application, which would extend beyond the date of the full statutory term granted on U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/334,858 filed June 16, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,554,798. MEDTRONIC MINIMED,

INC. hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the above-identified application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to said patent shall be held by the same entity holding the legal title to U.S. Patent No. 6,554,798, this agreement to run with any patent granted on the above-identified application and to be binding upon the grantee, its successors or assigns.

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